Native Studies 30 – The Historic Métis

The Métis are a very significant part of Canadian nation building and they have a very rich history particularly in Saskatchewan. In this two-part project you are going to study an historic Métis figure and an act of resistance.

Part one	 Biographies: research an historic Métis figure. Choose one of the following: Cuthbert Grant Pierre Falcon Sarah McLeod (Ballenden) John Norquay
	 Thomas Sinclair Caroline Pruden Annie Bannatyne, Guillaume Sayer Ambroise-Didyme Lepine
	Elzéar GouletMarguerite RielLouis RielGabriel Dumont
Criteria	 A Biography should include the following information: Important facts about their family of origin What contributions they have made to society What impact has their heritage had on their life and work
Project Ideas	 Poster Brochure PPT/ Prezi Skit Infographic

Historic Métis Conflicts: Research Guide

A. Using electronic resources research a significant historic conflict involving the western Métis by responding to the following questions.

Historic Conflict

- ❖ Pemmican Wars and the Battle of Seven Oaks in 1816 (include Coltman Commission findings)
- Battle of the Grand Coteau (1851)
- Red River Resistance (1870)
- Northwest Resistance (1885)

B. Prepare a fact sheet which thoroughly res	sponds to the following questions.
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- 1. What were the events leading up to, during, and following the conflict?
- 2. Who were the significant figures? What role did they play?
- 3. What was/were the issue(s) that led to the conflict? Was there resolution?
- 4. How did each side view the conflict?
- 5. How did the conflict affect the Métis?
- 6. Why was the conflict a significant event?
- 7. What reliable evidence supports your understanding of the conflict? Cite your sources.
- 8. What adjective or phrase would you use to describe the conflict? Explain your choice. You may choose from the following words or phrases or use your own:
- Tragedy Victory Futile Necessary (a means to an end) Inspirational Destructive Inevitable